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SUBJ: ARRANGEMENTS FOR US CORONATION DELEGATION

REF: STATE 034995

1. AMEMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT BY US CORONATION DELEGATION.
OUR REPLY DELAYED DUE MINIMIZE AND TO PREOCCUPATION WITH
KISSINGER VISIT IN AQABA.

2. WE PROPOSE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26:

1340 - ARRIVE AMMAN AIRPORT. AMBASSADOR WILL MEET. (WE ASSUME
PARTY WILL LUNCH ON AIRCRAFT. PLEASE CONFIRM).

AFTERNOON - WE PROPOSE THREE OPTIONS:

A. FOR MR. BUCHEN, SENATOR PERCY AND CONGRESSMAN FOUNTAIN,
COURTESY CALL AND SHORT MEETING WITH KING HUSSEIN AND/OR
PRIME MINISTER RIFAI, DEPENDING UPON THEIR SCHEDULES.
MEANWHILE, OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION COULD VISIT IMPRESS-
IVE ROMAN CITY AT JERASH (ONE HOUR'S DRIVE FROM AMMAN:
TOTAL TIME REQUIRED: THREE HOURS). MRS. PERCY (WHO HAS SEEN
JERASH) COULD GO SIGHTSEEING OR SHOPPING IN AMMAN (PHILAD-
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ELPHIA ROMAN THEATER, CITADEL AND MUSEUM).

(B) IF MEMBERS OF DELEGATION PREFER TO RELAX RATHER THAN
MAKE ABOVE CALLS UNDER OPTION A, FULL PARTY COULD VISIT
JERASH OR

(C) ALTERNATIVELY DO SIGHTSEEING IN AMMAN (LESS IMPRESSIVE
BUT SHORTER TRIP) COMBINED WITH REST IN HOTEL.

PLEASE ADVISE PREFERENCES, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING APPOINT-
MENTS WITH KING/PRIME MINISTER.

EVENING - AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO HOST A DINNER FOR DEL-
EGATION INCLUDING POSSIBLY PRIME MINISTER AND MRS. RIFAI
AND SEVERAL PALACE SENATE AND OTHER SENIOR JORDANIANS FROM
LEGAL PROFESSION WOULD BE INVITED.

3. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27:

0800 - BREAKFAST AT HOTEL

0930 - DEPART FOR AIRPORT

1000 - DEPART AMMAN IN AIRCRAFT.

4. REGRET MRS. PICKERING WILL BE OUT OF COUNTRY DURING VISIT.
WE HAVE RESERVED ROOMS AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR PARTY.
RESERVATIONS MADE AS REQUESTED PARA 2 AND 3 REFTEL.

5. FOR DIRECTOR-GENERAL LAISE:

AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SHORT, LATE AFTERNOON MEETING
WITH HER AND, IF POSSIBLE, WE WONDER IF SHE WOULD BE WILLING
TO DISCUSS WITH INTERESTED EMBASSY AMERICAN STAFF CURRENT
ISSUES AND DIRECTIONS IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE. TIME PERMITS
ABOVE TO BE ARRANGED WITHOUT ELIMINATING JERASH TRIP OR OTHER
SCHEDEDULED EVENTS.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REACTION TO ABOVE SUGGESTIONS AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN ISSUE INVITATIONS AND REQUEST
MEETINGS.

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